

covered by each such report. Each such report shall include, with respect to each such claim, a statement of the amount paid, to whom, and a brief description of the claim.

“(f) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize the payment of any amount as compensation for any benefit to which the claimant might subsequently become entitled under the laws and regulations administered by the Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs.”

SEC. 2. This Act shall be effective from and after August 2, 1946.

Approved October 25, 1951.

Effective date.

## Public Law 221

## CHAPTER 589

### AN ACT

To amend the Act of August 7, 1946, so as to authorize the making of grants for hospital facilities, to provide a basis for repayment to the Government by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

October 25, 1951  
[H. R. 2094]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first section of the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the establishment of a modern, adequate, and efficient hospital center in the District of Columbia”, approved August 7, 1946, is amended by striking out “acquire land and construct buildings” and inserting in lieu thereof “acquire land, construct buildings, and make grants to private agencies”.

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60 Stat. 896.

SEC. 2. The first section of such Act of August 7, 1946, is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(c) To make grants to private agencies in cash, or in land or other property (which the Administrator is hereby authorized to acquire for such purpose by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise) upon such terms and in such amounts or of such value as the Administrator may deem to be in the public interest to enable such private agencies to make surveys and investigations, to plan, design, construct, remodel, relocate, rebuild, renovate, extend, equip, furnish, or repair hospital facilities in the District of Columbia: *Provided*, That in no event shall the amount or value of the grant exceed 50 per centum of the value of the hospital plant of a private agency as improved with the aid of such grant: *Provided further*, That, except in the case of the construction and equipment of a new hospital, no such grant shall be made to any private agency unless such private agency shall obligate itself to pay at least 50 per centum of the cost of any project for which such grant is made. As used in this Act, the term ‘private agencies’ shall mean any nonprofit private agencies operating hospital facilities in the District of Columbia.”

SEC. 3. The fifth section of such Act of August 7, 1946, is amended by striking out 30 per centum wherever it appears in said section and inserting 50 per centum and by striking from the first sentence thereof the words “at such times and in such amounts, without interest, as the Congress shall hereafter determine”, and by inserting in lieu thereof “at the annual rate, without interest of 3 per centum of such 50 per centum”.

SEC. 4. The title of such Act of August 7, 1946, is amended to read as follows: “An Act to provide for the establishment of a modern, adequate, and efficient hospital center in the District of Columbia, to authorize the making of grants for hospital facilities to private agencies in the District of Columbia, to provide a basis for repayment to the Government by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.”

Approved October 25, 1951.